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SUBJECT: MARCH 23 IWC EXEC COMM MEETING

1. FIFTH MEETING OF EXEC. COMM. PROCEEDED ROUTINELY
ALONG LINES OF DRAFT AGENDA EX(76/77)5/1. ITEMS WHICH
MAY BE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST AS FOLLOWS:

2. MEMBER COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE NOT YET DEPOSITED
INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION, ACCEPTANCE, ACCESSION ETC.,
TO THE PROTOCOL FOR THIRD EXTENSION (US IS ONE) GRANTED
EXTENSION OF TIME TO 30 JUNE 1977.

3. DELEGATES AGREED TO EXTENSION OF TIME FOR TURKEY
TO DEPOSIT ITS INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION TO THE WHEAT TRADE
CONVENTION. A QUESTION OF CONCERN HOWEVER RAISED BY
EGYPTIAN DELEGATE RE LACK OF CLEARLY DEFINED CRITERIA
FOR DETERMINING A COUNTRY'S VOTING STATUS UNDER WHEAT
TRADE CONVENTION I.E., IMPORTER OR EXPORTER. TURKEY,
OF COURSE, IS LISTED IN ANNEXE B. EGYPTIAN DELEGATE
FEELS THAT IMPORTERS EFFECTIVENESS IN TERMS OF ACTUAL
VOTING POWER CAN BE 'JEOPARDISED' BY A COUNTRY SUCH AS
TURKEY WITH IMPORTING VOTING STATUS BUT WITH EXPORTING
INTERESTS. THE EGYPTIAN DELEGATE REQUESTED THE
SECRETARIAT TO PREPARE A PAPER CLEARLY DEFINING CRITERIA
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FOR ESTABLISHING MEMBER VOTING STATUS AND/OR PROVIDE FOR
DISCUSSION OF QUESTION AT NEXT PREPARATORY GROUP
MEETING.

4. PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS - THE CHAIRMAN REQUESTED
DELEGATES FROM THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH HAD NOT YET FORWARD-
ED THEIR RESPECTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE CROP YEAR

76/77 OF WHICH THE US IS ONE, TO URGE THEIR GOVERNMENTS
TO MAKE PAYMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5. BUDGET SUB-COMM. MEMBERSHIP - THE EXEC. SEC.
ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 77/78 SUB-COMM. WHICH
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SUBSTITUTION OF CANADA FOR
AUSTRALIA, REMAINS THE SAME AS FOR 76/77 I.E., EGYPT,
THE EEC, JAPAN AND THE USA.

6. NEXT EXEC. COMM. MEETING WILL LIKELY OCCUR SAME
WEEK AS NEXT PREPARATORY GROUP MEETING BUT DETERMINATION
OF EXACT DATE WILL BE HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL PLANS FOR
PREP. GROUP MEETING HAVE BEEN FINALISED.

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